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The Treaty History of the Navigation of the

Mississippi.

(From the New Orleans Playgoer.)

It is now nearly a century since questions

about the navigation of the Mississippi

were the subject of negotiation and compromise

among European powers. These began when

the vast interior was an uninhabited wilderness

the banks of the great river itself had but few

and scattered settlements, and its whole com-

merce reached only a few miles from its mouth,

and amounted to a few thousands of dollars.

When these States were colonies of Great Brit-

ain, a mere strip along the coast when all

beyond the Alleghenies was unbroken forest

and the lower Mississippi, belonging to foreign

powers, was dotted along the coast with a few

military posts, France, England and Spain, in

view of the prospective grandeur of the com-

merce of the great valley, were contending

against each other for privileges in the river.

By the peace of Paris, concluded in 1763, be-

tween Great Britain, France and Spain—where-

by the old French war, as it is known in our

colonial history, was concluded Great Britain ac-

quired, in addition to her original colonies,

Canada from France and the Floridas from

Spain. France retained and was confirmed in

her dominion over Louisiana, which then in-

cluded the territory on the mouth of the Mis-

sissippi from the mouth of the Gulf of Mexico

to the mouth of the river, and the island of

Orleans on the east bank of the river, which

reached from the bayou d'Iberville to the Gulf.

France accordingly had possession of both banks

of the river from the mouth of the Gulf to the

mouth of the river.

By the treaty of 1763 the boundary between

Louisiana and the British possessions ran

through the middle of the Mississippi river, from

its source to the mouth of the Iberville, thence

through Lakes Maurepas and Pontchartrain to

the Gulf.

By that treaty it was agreed that the subjects

of Great Britain should have the right forever

of navigating the Mississippi from its source

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